

ADVANCED COAL PRICE WILL BE INVESTIGATED BY U. S. TRADE BOARD

Higher Rates Announced Effective June 1 to Meet Millions Granted by Miners in Recent Pact

STATEMENT BY GREGORY

NEW YORK, May 10.—Circulars announcing the advance in the wholesale price of anthracite coal have been approved by the Federal Trade Board. It is learned here that the plan today is to send the circulars to the coal dealers tomorrow.

U. S. WILL PROBE INCREASE PROPOSED IN COAL PRICES

WASHINGTON, May 10.—A sweeping investigation of the carriers and producers of coal to be conducted by the Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission as a result of the announced advance in the price of coal to the consumer.

Attorney General Gregory has given out the contents of this letter. It reads: "It has been stated in the public press, with apparent authority, that having regard to an advance in wages, the railroads and coal companies will now use that as an excuse for materially increasing the price of anthracite coal to consumers."

On November 1, 1902, there was another general advance in wages of approximately 14 per cent. In the fiscal year immediately preceding this advance (July 1, 1901-June 30, 1902) the cost of production of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company was \$2.06 per ton. In the fiscal year immediately following (July 1, 1902-June 30, 1903) its cost of production was \$1.93 per ton—an increase of \$1.32 per ton which includes not only the increase due to the advance in wages, but the increase due to all other factors.

U. S. ATTORNEY KANE SILENT ON FEDERAL ACTION ON ADVANCED COAL RATES

United States Attorney Francis Fisher Kane declined today to say what action Federal authorities would take in this case when the Philadelphia schedule of advanced coal prices, which will be announced today, is put into effect.

Newtown Women's Club Elects. NEWTOWN, Pa., May 10.—Mrs. Mary G. Hoffman has been re-elected president of the Newtown New Century Club. Other officers were elected as follows: Vice president, Miss Laura M. White and Mrs. Adela W. Wetling; recording secretary, Mrs. Mary W. Peters; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Lillian S. Roberts; treasurer, Mrs. Mary T. Hillborn.

CHARITIES AND CORRECTION EXPERTS TO MEET TONIGHT

Elaborate Program Prepared by Conference at Indianapolis. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 10.—There are 9 divisions, 45 sections and 125 delegates on the program of the National Conference of Charities and Correction which will open here tonight.

PRIZES FOR KNIGHTS OF GOLDEN EAGLE

Awards Made to Commanderies and Castles in the Parade at Reading. READING, Pa., May 10.—At the opening of today's session of the 42d annual State convention of the Knights of the Golden Eagle now in progress here, the following were announced as the prize-winners in yesterday's parade.

Largest number of men from outside Berks County—First prize, \$20, Centre Valley; second prize, \$10, Aeolian, Philadelphia. Largest number of men in any Berks castle—First prize, \$25, to Oley; \$15, second prize, St. Lawrence, and \$10 each to Sinking Spring, Muhlenberg, Adonal, of Kutztown, and Boyertown.

Women May Watch at Polls

Scores of women volunteered for service at the polls next Tuesday at a reception last night in the Suffrage Shop, 1721 Chestnut street, in honor of Mrs. George B. Orady, of Huntingdon, president of the Pennsylvania Woman Suffrage Association.

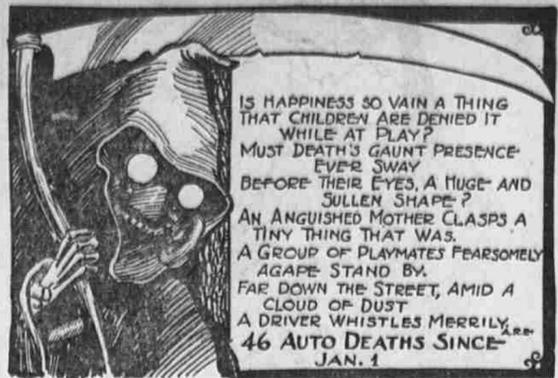
Philadelphians Off to Europe

Sailing from New York today on the American Line steamship Finland for Liverpool are the following Philadelphians: Mrs. W. New Lightfoot, Miss Lilla Brooks, Mrs. Mary G. Foster, Henry G. Keasby, Mrs. J. G. von Lohr, C. E. Barba, H. L. Benson, Miss Fannie McConnell, Mr. and Mrs. S. Skidmore, Harrison M. Masterson, John Lord, Miss Mary Ellen Conway, Philip H. Thurber, P. M. Thurber, Michael Cunningham, Miss Margaret Duffy, Miss Martha Campbell and Miss Katie Develin.

Photo-Engravers to Convene Here

The 20th annual convention of the International Association of Manufacturing Photo-Engravers will be held June 22, 23 and 24 at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel.

FORTY-SIX AUTOMOBILE FATALITIES IN PHILADELPHIA SINCE JANUARY 1



Terrible Toll of Death, Most of the Victims Children, Includes Seven Killings in the Present Month. Coroner Knight Favors Drastic Legislation

Since January 1, 46 persons, mostly children, have been crushed to death in the streets of this city by motor trucks and automobiles. In most of the cases the drivers have offered the time-worn plea that the children ran in front of the vehicle when it was going at a rapid rate of speed.

Children and Old Persons Victims of Auto Juggernaut

Motor truck and automobile fatalities since January 1 this year. Most of the victims were children and aged persons:

Table with 2 columns: Month, Total. January: 16, February: 9, March: 4, April: 10, May: 7, Total: 46.

HEARTBROKEN, HE ENDS LIFE

Former Philadelphia Florist Kills Himself While Family Attends Mass For His Wife. Lewis Stacquet, formerly a florist in this city, shot and killed himself at his daughter's home in Southampton, lower Bucks County, while the members of his family were in Philadelphia attending Mass for his wife, who died several months ago.

Stacquet, it is said, was broken-hearted when his wife died. He retired from business immediately after her death and went to his daughter's home. "I want to get into the fields and near the flowers," he said. "They comfort me and help me to forget." Day after day, however, there were evidences that Stacquet could not forget.

MRS. GILLIGAN DENIES POISONING AGED FOLK

Connecticut Officials Guard Alleged Evidence of Murders in Archer Home. HARTFORD, Conn., May 10.—The State's attorney and the State police who have charge of the investigation of the case of Mrs. Amy E. Archer-Gilligan, proprietress of the Archer Home for the Aged, where it is charged there has been at least one and possibly twenty deaths from poisoning, are closely guarding any evidence they may have to prove the charge against the accused woman.

WOMEN MAY HAVE CAMP HERE TO TRAIN FOR SERVICE IN WAR

Division of Navy League Plans Another Chevy Chase. Five sites have been offered the women's division of the Navy League for the proposed Philadelphia military camp for women, being planned along the lines of the Chevy Chase camp, just outside Washington.

One site is in Washington Park, another includes six blocks at Atlantic City, and it is understood, one nearby in Delaware is to be offered. Three in the vicinity of this city have already been offered.

ISAC A. SHEPPARD COMPANY

THE IMPERIAL EXCELSIOR GAS RANGE. Ask Mother—SHE Knows. SHE knows how your friends will admire its artistic, distinctive design! SHE knows that the perfect combustion will prevent many headaches! SHE knows that this special oven, which enables you to use bottom and slide at the same time, means great saving both of gas and labor!

ISAC A. SHEPPARD COMPANY MANUFACTURERS PHILADELPHIA BALTIMORE. NEW YORK. The price for the other coals remains stationary.

JOHN D. HOST TO 600 WOMEN

Will Entertain the Federation of Clubs Delegates. NEW YORK, May 10.—John D. Rockefeller will be host to 600 women delegates of the General Federation of Clubs, whose convention will be held in this city May 23 to June 2.

18 HURT IN N. & W. WRECK

Train Rolls Down Embankment Near Mineral Springs, Ohio. PORTSMOUTH, O., May 10.—Eighteen persons were hurt, one seriously, last night, when a Norfolk and Western accommodation train jumped the track near Mineral Springs and rolled down a 20-foot embankment.

The Cookeasy Gas Range advertisement. Includes text: "AND did you see the Cookeasy?" "I not only saw it but I bought one. I never saw anything like it before!" "That seems to be the regular answer of those who have already taken advantage of Gas Range Week." "The COOKEASY, made of pressed steel, smooth, graceful, interchangeable to suit any kitchen, and practically unbreakable, sold at a phenomenally low price in honor of Gas Range Week, is irresistible." "The cooking top is so constructed that it provides a place to keep utensils hot without lighting an additional burner. Thus it saves gas." Gas Range Week Prices: The Short Cabinet, with canopy, is reduced \$8.00. The Box Cabinet with high shelf, is reduced \$5.00. On sale at any Gas Company showroom in or near Philadelphia, on the usual easy terms. Hale and Kilburn Company, Philadelphia.

GAS RANGE WEEK advertisement. Includes text: "GAS RANGE WEEK" "MAY 8th-13th" "\$2 Less" "than the regular price of any Cabinet Gas Range if you buy before stores close Saturday. (Usual Easy Term Payments) Special Displays—Demonstrations Have you entered the Bread Baking Contest? Valuable prizes. Visit any of our stores or have us send a representative. The United Gas Improvement Co. SERVICE"